

# ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION-CERTIFICATION UNIT

## MIDDLE GRADE ENDORSEMENT 5-9

*ENDORSEMENT MAY EXPAND THE GRADES A TEACHER IS AUTHORIZED TO TEACH ON AN ELEMENTARY OR SECONDARY CERTIFICATE.*

➤ **All requirements for the Middle Grade Endorsement must be met. Fees are not refundable.**

1. A valid Arizona Fingerprint Clearance Card (plastic) issued by the Arizona Department of Public Safety.
2. A valid Arizona Elementary or Secondary Certificate.
3. 6 semester hours of courses in middle grade education to include one course in early adolescent psychology and one course in middle grade curriculum.
4. A practicum or **one year** of verified full-time teaching experience in grades 5-9. (Please submit a letter on official letterhead from District Superintendent or Personnel Director to verify teaching experience.)

\*PURSUANT TO A.R.S. 15-534.03, EACH EDUCATOR MUST NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OF ANY CHANGE OF ADDRESS WITHIN THIRTY DAYS. CHANGE OF ADDRESS FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE.

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